

MONTANA BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

Position Statement regarding Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs) continuing patient care once at the medical facility.

It is the position of the Montana Board of Medical Examiners that Emergency Medical Technicians who begin initial patient care as a part of their normal out-of-hospital response may continue the patient's care in the medical facility under the following provisions: (1) the care rendered in the facility is at the request of the medical provider and (2) the Emergency Medical Technician operates within their individual scope of practice at all times.

The Montana Board of Medical Examiners believes that quality medical care is a team effort by many different providers all working for the best patient outcome. The Board also believes the Emergency Medical Technician's role in assisting the medical staff at a medical facility (when requested) contributes to that team effort until transfer of patient care is complete. Emergency Medical Technicians, like all of the other health care providers, bring a set of skills and knowledge to the team; thus increasing the patient's chance for a better outcome.

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